

*South Africa*¹

RECOGNITION OF CERTIFICATES OF AIRWORTHINESS FOR IMPORTED AIRCRAFT

Exchange of notes at Pretoria October 12 and December 1, 1931

Entered into force December 1, 1931

*Superseded by agreement of October 29, 1954, and February 22, 1955*²

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The American Minister to the Minister of External Affairs

LEGATION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
PRETORIA, *October 12, 1931*

No. 68

SIR:

I have the honor to communicate the text of the arrangement between the United States of America and the Union of South Africa providing for the acceptance by the one country of certificates of airworthiness for aircraft imported from the other country as merchandise, as understood by me to have been agreed to in the negotiations which have just been concluded between the Legation and your Ministry.

"1. The present arrangement applies to civil aircraft constructed in continental United States of America, exclusive of Alaska, and exported to the Union of South Africa; and to civil aircraft constructed in the Union of South Africa and exported to continental United States of America, exclusive of Alaska.

2. The same validity shall be conferred on certificates of airworthiness issued by the competent authorities of the Government of the United States in respect of aircraft subsequently registered in the Union of South Africa

¹ Certain agreements between the United States and the United Kingdom were, or are, also applicable to South Africa. See *post*, vol. 12, UNITED KINGDOM.

² 6 UST 657; TIAS 3200.

as if they had been issued under the regulations in force on the subject in the Union of South Africa provided that in each case a certificate of airworthiness for export has also been issued by the United States authorities in respect of the individual aircraft, and provided that certificates of airworthiness issued by the competent authorities of the Union of South Africa in respect of aircraft subsequently registered in the United States of America are similarly given the same validity as if they had been issued under the regulations in force on the subject in the United States.

3. The above arrangement will extend to civil aircraft of all categories, including those used for public transport and those used for private purposes.

4. The present arrangement may be terminated by either Government on sixty days' notice given to the other Government. In the event, however, that either Government should be prevented by future action of its legislature from giving full effect to the provisions of this arrangement it shall automatically lapse."

If you inform me that it is the understanding of your Government that the arrangement agreed upon is as herein set forth, the arrangement will be considered to be operative from the date of the receipt of your note so advising me.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

RALPH J. TOTTEN

Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of America

THE HONORABLE

J. B. M. HERTZOG,

*Minister of External Affairs,
Pretoria.*

The Minister of External Affairs to the American Minister

P.M. 68/80.

PRETORIA, 1 Dec. 1931

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. 68 of the 12th October, 1931, regarding the arrangement between the Union of South Africa and the United States of America providing for the reciprocal acceptance by the competent authorities of the respective Governments of certificates of airworthiness for aircraft imported from the one country into the other as merchandise, I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty's Government in the Union of South

Africa are in accord with the terms of the arrangement, which reads word for word as follows:

[For terms of arrangements, see numbered paragraphs of U.S. note, above.]

This arrangement will be operative from the date of this note.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. B. M. HERTZOG
Minister of External Affairs

The Envoy Extraordinary
and Minister Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America,
Pretoria.